

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether in the proposed educational reforms as a result of the Conference any question regarding teaching in schools and colleges will come up?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That depends upon the terms of reference and I have no idea as to what they are.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether there is any particular reason why Mr. Rangaswami Aiyangar was not invited for the Conference?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no particular reason.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether there is any other Principal of any college in the State who was not invited?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know who those Principals are?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Principal of the Women's College, the Principal of the C. M. S. College and the Principal of the Nagercoil College were not invited.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Among the first grade College is the Principal of any other college omitted?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Principal of the Women's College was not invited.

Knowledge in Arabic of the present Mahomedan Inspector of Schools.

352. **MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mr. A. Ahmed Kunju, Ag. Mahomedan Inspector of Schools, possesses any qualification in Arabic which is necessary for that post, and, if so, the nature of such qualifications;

(b) if not, why he is so appointed;

(c) whether persons with required qualifications for the place are available, and, if so, who they are;

(d) whether representations regarding this have been made to the Government by anybody; and

(e) if so, the action taken by them on such representations?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) Mr. A. Ahmed Kunju has no examination qualification in Arabic but he is reported to be proficient in that language.

(b) At the time of his first appointment no one else qualified in Arabic was available.

(c) It is seen from certain petitions that one Mr. K. Muhammad, Kottar, has passed the B. A. Degree Examination of the Madras University in 1931 with Arabic as his optional subject.

(d) Yes.

(e) They will be duly considered.

Qualification of Mr. M. P. G. Nayar, Ag. Textile Expert.

353. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state the technical qualification of Mr. M. P. G. Nayar, the Ag. Textile Expert?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Mr. M. P. G. Nayar holds certificates from the institutions mentioned below:—

“*Staatliche Fashschule Fur Textilindustrie in Riechenburg* (State School for Textile Industry in Riechenburg, Bohemia) and *Reife Zengnis der hoheren Fashschule Fur Textilindustrie Riechenbachivyt* (Technical High School for Textile Industry in Riechenbach, Saxony).

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know whether the school, referred to in the answer, is affiliated to any University?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): I do not know.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know whether any reasonable doubt was raised on the floor of this House in regard to the qualifications of Mr. P. G. Nayar?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That was answered in the same House last week.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know the number of the question to which an answer was given?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): It was not in answer to an interpellation, but it was in the course of discussion by the Industrial Director. He has stated about all these things.

Resignation of Mr. A. Venkatarama Aiyar of the Presidentship of the Public Services Committee.

354. **MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mr. A. Venkatarama Aiyar has tendered resignation of the Chairmanship of the Public Services Committee; and

(b) if so, the reasons for his so doing?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) Because he objected to the Secretary being appointed for the Committee without his having been consulted.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether I am to understand that the Secretary has already been appointed?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether the work of the Committee has been begun?